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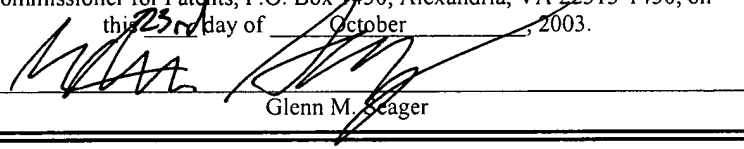
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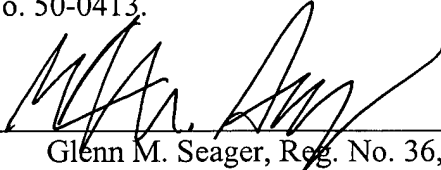
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Pursuant to the obligations of candor and good faith imposed by 37 C.F.R. 1.56, the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449 are hereby disclosed.

No representation is intended to be made hereby that any of the cited references establishes, by itself or in combination with other information, a prima facie case of unpatentability of any claim of the present case.

Copies of the documents listed on the 1449 Form were previously either submitted by Applicant or cited by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the prior application, U.S. Application No. 09/801,263, filed March 7, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,616,681, upon which Applicant relies for the benefits provided in 35 U.S.C. §120.

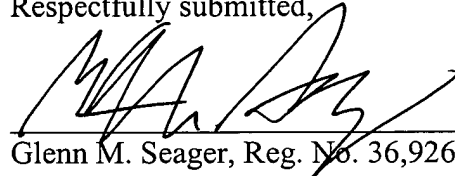


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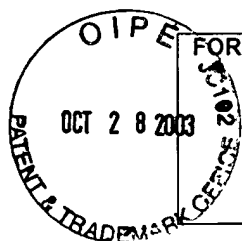


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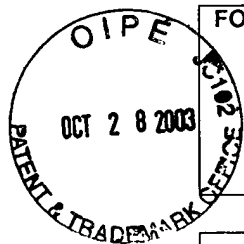


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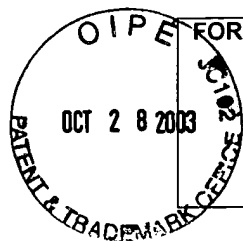


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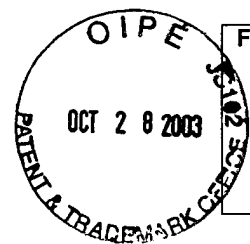
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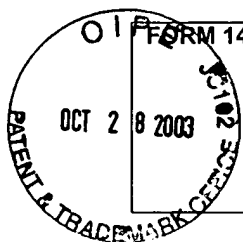
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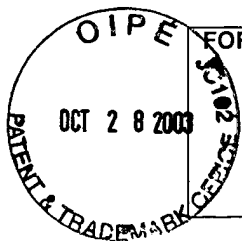
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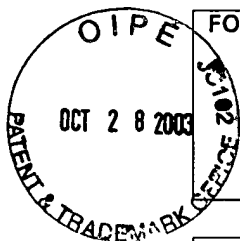
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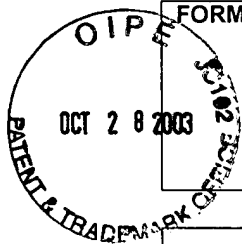


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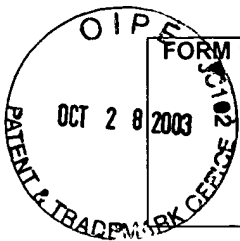


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